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## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-captioned patent application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Sequence Listing begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

An Appendix begins on page 6 of this paper and includes two CD-ROM copies of the Sequence Listing, paper copies of SEQ ID NO: 216 and SEQ ID NO: 850, and a Verified Statement that the two CD-ROM copies are identical.

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith are a Second Preliminary Amendment (9 pages), Verified Statement pursuant to §1.821(f) (1 page), two CD-ROM copies of the Replacement Sequence Listing; paper copy of SEQ ID NO: 216 and SEQ ID NO. 850; and return postcard for filing in connection with the above-identified application.

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## IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:

Please replace the Sequence Listing in the above-captioned application with the attached substitute Sequence Listing. Two CD-ROM copies of the substitute Sequence Listing accompany this preliminary amendment. A paper copy of the substitute Sequence Listing is NOT attached due to the length of the sequences. A paper copy of SEQ ID NO: 216 is included herein to point out the amendments made herein to the sequence listing. A paper copy of SEQ ID NO: 850 is provided herein as a reference.